

**DATE:** July 28, 2025

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**SUBJECT:** Section 12c-Consolidation Grant Quarterly Report - April 1-June 30, 2025

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**Recipient Entity Name and Address:** Kalamazoo Regional Education Service Agency  
Kalamazoo, MI 49002

**District/Recipient Code:** 39000

**Grant Code:** 268

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### **Grant Metrics**

| Finance Data                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Impact                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Collaboration                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| End of Year Expenditures: <b>Less than one percent (1%)</b> of the expected purchased services budget has been used as we start ramping up projects.<br><br>Negotiating a custom contract for Veeam backup solution licensing for the 2025-26 fiscal year. | MiCloud has helped partner districts protect the data for <b>52,730 students</b> across the state, up 12,744 students from last quarter.<br><br>MiCloud has created and supported <b>156 AWS accounts</b> for ISDs, LEAs, PSAs, and Statewide projects. | MiCloud started work with <b>Ingram Micro</b> on two large ISD infrastructure migration projects. This work is funded by AWS under their "Migration Acceleration Program (MAP)". |

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### **PROGRESS:**

The MiCloud initiative seeks to consolidate cloud hosting and platform management services to provide a unified, scalable, and secure solution for all Michigan Intermediate School Districts (ISDs) and Local Education Agencies (LEAs) while addressing current challenges around aging hardware and data security.

**April 2025:**

- ❖ Completed initial staffing hires and onboarding: Executive Administrative Assistant, Technical Program Manager, and Systems Administrator
- ❖ Participated in the Michigan State Business Officials (MSBO) conference, including co-presenting a training session
- ❖ Kicked off large migration projects for Dickinson-Iron ISD and Northwest Educational Services
- ❖ Created six (6) new Amazon Web Services (AWS) accounts for districts

**May 2025:**

- ❖ Met with dozens of ISDs and LEAs to review MiCloud and answer questions about our services, planning for upcoming projects
- ❖ Participated in the UP Superintendent's meeting, reviewing MiCloud and how we are helping schools
- ❖ Presented at the MAEDS Spring PD event
- ❖ Participated in METL's in-person meeting, Livingston County's Technology Director's meeting, and southwest Michigan's Technology Director's meeting
- ❖ Began planning initial projects
- ❖ Created 14 new AWS accounts for districts

**June 2025:**

- ❖ Partnered with Wayne RESA for a Cloud Engineer, starting full-time in July
- ❖ Started implementing the first several projects
- ❖ Continued building partnerships with AWS and Ingram Micro
- ❖ Participated in METL's monthly meeting
- ❖ Negotiated custom pricing for Veeam backup software
- ❖ Created 66 new AWS accounts for districts

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**NEXT QUARTER FOCUS:**

- ❖ Continue to focus on implementing district projects
- ❖ Begin providing training to district technology staff
- ❖ Perform the first of our quarterly training webinars